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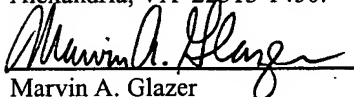
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the divisional patent application filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of Inventors: **Per Bjoerkman and Ray Olsson**

For: **"PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING Al₂O₃ MEMBRANE"**

Enclosed are:

- X Two sheets of formal drawings
- X Declaration and Power of Attorney (copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in parent application Ser. No. 09/219,090, filed December 22, 1998)
- X True copies of a 15-page patent application specification, including claims and abstract, and two sheets of informal patent drawings, filed December 22, 1998, Ser. No. 09/219,090

- X A Preliminary Amendment
- X A Disclosure Statement
- X Information Disclosure Citation, Form PTO-1449, and copies of the 13 references cited therein
- X Amend the enclosed specification originally filed in Ser. No. 09/219,090, by changing the title to "PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING Al_2O_3 MEMBRANE".
- X Cancel in this application original claims 1-18, and 27-30 of the prior application before calculating the fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION,
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY THE AMENDMENT ABOVE,
PLUS CLAIMS ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT:

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Claims	<u>15</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u>
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- X A check in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee.
- X The prior application is assigned of record to: INFICON GmbH
- X Copies of the four prior previously recorded assignments (listed below) are enclosed.
- 1) Assignment from Per Bjoerkman and Ray Olsson to Balzers Hochvakuum GmbH, dated 12/21/1998;
 - 2) Assigned from Balzers Hochvakuum AG to Unaxis Trading Limited, dated 10/27/1999;
 - 3) Assignment from Unaxis Trading Limited to Unaxis Balzers Limited, dated 9/20/2000; and

4) Assignment from Unaxis Balzers Limited to Inficon GmbH, dated 1/8/2002.

X The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to Marvin A. Glazer, Reg. No. 28,801; William C. Cahill, Reg. No. 19,742; C. Robert von Hellens, Reg. No. 35,714; Charles R. Hoffman, Reg. No. 26,557; Thomas G. Watkins, Reg. No. 27,964; CAHILL, SUTTON & THOMAS

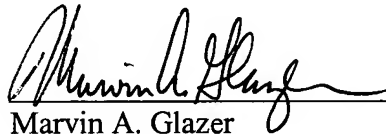
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X Applicant hereby claims, under 35 U.S.C. §120, the benefit of the filing date of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/219,090, filed December 22, 1998, and entitled "CAPACITIVE VACUUM MEASURING CELL."

X Applicant hereby claims, under 35 U.S.C. §119, the benefit of the foreign priority date of Swiss Priority Patent Application No. 1997 2950/97, filed December 23, 1997, as asserted in U.S. parent application Ser. No. 09/219,090, filed December 22, 1998.

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